

## November 2011

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*NOTE: both the date and the starting time for the November (only) Board meeting has changed: it will be on Friday November 18; Open Forum at 8:30 a.m. and the Meeting starting at 9 a.m.*

## NEW

### ODOT Update

Hwy 131 may be open as early as November 4th. They are working extremely hard to have the road open no later than 15th.

### Are you interested in expanding the recreational amenities at The Capes?

The Board has authorized an ad hoc committee to explore upgrading our amenities. Jim Holst is interested in adding basketball to the tennis courts and/or adding a sport court on common ground.

If you have an interest in being part of this ad hoc committee, please email Jim Holst or **send a note to the Manager** and we will get started soon in looking at our options.

### Electric Utility Upgrades

At the October Board Meeting, Tillamook P.U.D. General Manager, Ray Sieler, updated the Board about P.U.D. plans for the new Tillamook-Oceanside Transmission Line and Oceanside Substation. The project will construct a 115-kV electric transmission line and a 115-kV to 24.9/14.4kV distribution substation. The transmission line will run from the Bonneville Power Administration's Tillamook Substation on the east side of Tillamook to a proposed new substation near Netarts and Oceanside. The total line length is 7.2 miles, of which 6.1 miles are within Tillamook County and 1.1 miles are within the city of Tillamook. The project is needed to relieve existing loading, growth, maintenance and reliability constraints in the existing Wilson River Substation service area which includes Tillamook, Bay City, Cape Meares, Netarts, Oceanside and surrounding areas. The estimated cost of the transmission line is \$6 million. Pending necessary approvals, this project is estimated to be energized in winter 2012/spring 2013.

What does all this technical information mean to Capes homeowners?? Basically, it should make our electrical supply more plentiful for Netarts and Oceanside, as well as make our supply more reliable! How many of us have endured hours/days of no electricity at The Capes over the years? Ray asked the Board to write a letter of support to Tillamook P.U.D.'s plans, which the Board president will do. Any other homeowners who would like to make a phone call or send an email of support can go to the Project Telephone Number 503.815.8630 or the website, [www.TPUD.org](http://www.TPUD.org). By the way, Ray and his wife Tina have been owners at The Capes for many years in The Cottages and recently moved in full time in a townhome on Promontory.

## Trivia Results

Congratulations to 25 homeowners who answered the trivia question that was on the website in October!! Each will receive a \$3.50 gift certificate for a drink/sweet of their choice at Brewin' in the Wind in Oceanside. Keep your eyes peeled for other trivia contests in future versions of The Capes website!! By the way, the answer which you could have found on [www.tillamoo.com](http://www.tillamoo.com) is: 26,150 cows! You wonder who got the job to go around and count them all?!! :)

## Welcome to the NEW Capes website!

As most of you know, we have had a website for many years, but we decided to update the format and content to be most valuable and useful to our homeowners. You will notice a new interface; **new and expanded content**; **archives of important documents**; **links to useful information** and most importantly, **an area for you to easily contact us** when you have questions, ideas and suggestions.

This October edition is our new, expanded website rollout to the community! Since June, a committee consisting of Resident Manager, Tim Moore, and 3 Board members have volunteered time to set criteria for the website; review website and developer options; select a website provider; define the website design and content and provide initial content for this inaugural edition. Our website is developed, maintained and monitored by **Northwest Website Services**.

Please note that we are still “a work in progress”. As you can imagine, it has taken Tim and the committee members some time to collect all the necessary information that we want to include on this website. We have also asked each committee chair to provide information about their committees. Committee chairs have also provided feedback on what they would like to see on the website. All areas may not be complete yet, but be assured, that we are working feverishly to get all the necessary information into the website to make it most productive and helpful for homeowners. **WE WELCOME YOUR FEEDBACK AND SUGGESTIONS!** This website is only as effective as you, our homeowners, find it. As always, you can continue to use email to contact Tim Moore or any Board member or just fill in your comments/questions in our new “**Contact Us**” page on the website.

This website will be used in conjunction with email and hard copy documents (as needed) to continue to communicate with all homeowners. *The Website/Communications Committee is still looking for volunteers to join us and help define our ongoing communication needs.* We thank Tim Moore, Jim Bethell, Dave Simmons and Lynne Styles for helping us on this committee.

Please take some time to explore our new website and **let us know what you think!**

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